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- ☐ A statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is also enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the fact that SN 10/258,612 is also assigned to the assignee of the present application.

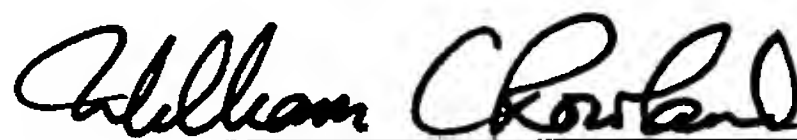
To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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